

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Examiner: Rebecca E. Prouty

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For: EXPRESSION VECTOR, HOST, FUSED PROTEIN, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
FUSED PROTEIN AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PROTEIN

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on
February 13, 2009:

REMARKS

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: N/A
2. Identification of claims discussed: All
3. Identification of art discussed: N/A
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: N/A

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Applicants, through representation,
argued that the present invention possesses unexpectedly superior results over prior arts as
shown in the Rule 132 Declaration of Dr. Ideno. Although the Examiner did not review the
Declaration in detail again prior to the interview, from the reading of her own previous Office

Actions, the Examiner stated that she does not intend to rebut the unexpected superior result of the vector TcFKfusion2 as shown in the Declaration. However, the Examiner argued that she is not convinced that the TcFKBP18 used in the Declaration is a representative of the archaeobacterial FKBP-type PPIase as recited in the present claims. The Examiner requested more references or experimental data to show the structure and function of the IF domain and the same unexpected results with other archarbacterial FKBP-type PPIases. Applicants, through representation, discussed the substance of potential references to be filed.

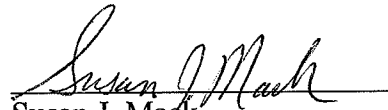
6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: N/A

7. Results of Interview: An agreement with respect to the claims was not reached.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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